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Capitol Campus Security Measures Extended

Olympia, WA - Gov. Jay Inslee released a statement today extending actions the state has taken to ensure the safety and security of Washingtonians, legislators, state employees and the buildings of the Capitol Campus.

"Based on the recommendation of the Washington State Patrol, current security measures on the Capitol Campus will remain in place through federal Inauguration Day (Thursday, Jan. 20) due to evolving intelligence on security threats posed in all 50 state capitols following the violence in our nation's capital as well as recent illegal and dangerous actions associated with non-permitted events on our state's Capitol Campus.

"The Washington National Guard will continue to support the security focused efforts of the Washington State Patrol and the temporary fencing that has been placed around the restricted area of the West Campus will remain.

"These unfortunate, necessary security precautions could last longer, but we are hopeful that we will soon see political temperatures cool and threat levels come down, bringing a related easing of these restrictions."

